

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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President George W. Bush
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Thank you for your strong leadership on energy policy and specifically in dealing gas prices. Throughout your Administration you have consistently and aggressively pursued a balanced approach to increasing supplies of energy, advancing energy conservation, and expanding our fuel choices with alternative sources of energy. We are pleased that passage of last year's Energy Policy Act has resulted in the construction of 19 new ethanol plants, investment in battery technology for electric hybrid vehicles, expanded tax credits for consumer purchase of hybrid cars, and the doubling of the Ethanol Renewable Fuels Standard.

There are many in Washington, and around the country, who want quick legislative fixes such as punitive windfall profit taxes, price controls, and investigations. Much of this has been tried in the past and never produced the long term results of more production or less consumption.

We are united in seeking a balanced approach combining real long term solutions with the immediate relief you announced in your four point plan. We look forward to working with you on legislation to address the boutique fuels challenge and reprioritize some \$2B in oil and gas tax credits and spending. We applaud your call for a high level meeting with American auto manufacturers to discuss running our cars on something other than oil in the future.

We would also urge you to convene an emergency high level summit with the American oil companies to discuss actions that can be taken today, and to remind them of their responsibility to invest recent record profits in expanding supplies, building new and expanded pipelines and refining capacity, and diversifying into new fuel sources for tomorrow's economy.

We are confident that these actions and your continued visible leadership will send a clear message to both global markets and the American people that American will not remain addicted to oil and the high prices our addiction helps to fuel.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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